From: Smith, Tobias
To: Quinones, Edwin

Subject: RE: Star Lake - Updated BP/ARCO Nexus Report (3/13/17 Version)

Date: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 10:39:17 AM

Ed,

Thanks for the update. As you know, the group is attempting to expand its membership to ensure that those responsible are participating and that the Site remediation is carried out. Please let me know once a decision has been made, as this impacts our negotiations with other PRPs. In the meantime, we are happy to answer any questions or provide source material at your request. Thank you,

Tobias

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From: Quinones, Edwin [mailto:quinones.edwin@epa.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, April 19, 2017 10:23 AM

To: Smith, Tobias

Subject: RE: Star Lake - Updated BP/ARCO Nexus Report (3/13/17 Version)

Tobias,

The EPA greatly appreciates all the information you've provided thus far and the time it took you and your clients in developing the presentation. As I mentioned earlier to Mr. Marraro, the EPA is taking the information into consideration and may have follow-up questions concerning it. As you may already know, CERCLA enforcement decisions first require careful and thoughtful deliberation, and the deliberation process itself is one best left under enforcement confidentiality until a decision is made for further action.

If you have further questions, please feel free to call to discuss.

Best regards,

Ed Q.

From: Smith, Tobias [mailto:Tobias.Smith@strasburger.com]

Sent: Tuesday, April 18, 2017 4:57 PM

To: Quinones, Edwin < <u>quinones.edwin@epa.gov</u>>

Subject: RE: Star Lake - Updated BP/ARCO Nexus Report (3/13/17 Version)

Ed,

I understand that you spoke with Chris Marraro recently concerning ARCO/BP. Chris indicated that EPA was considering issuing an Information Request to BP. We feel strongly that more than sufficient evidence already exists to serve as a basis for a notice letter, which we have previously submitted in our Nexus Report. Can you let me know where EPA is in evaluating this request?

Thanks,

Tobias

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From: Smith, Tobias

Sent: Tuesday, March 14, 2017 6:59 PM

To: Powers, Emily (ENRD) (Emily.Powers@usdoj.gov); quinones.edwin@epa.gov

Subject: FW: Star Lake - Updated BP/ARCO Nexus Report (3/13/17 Version) Emil & Ed: Attached is a further revised version of the ARCO/BP report.

From: Smith, Tobias

Sent: Monday, March 13, 2017 11:50 AM

To: quinones.edwin@epa.gov; Powers, Emily (ENRD) (Emily.Powers@usdoj.gov)

Subject: Star Lake - Updated BP/ARCO Nexus Report

Emily & Ed:

We have prepared the attached updated nexus report for the BP/ARCO facility. I also expect to send you nexus reports and the slide summary for all of the remaining PRPs by the end of the week. Do you have any better idea as to when you will be able to evaluate BP/ARCO's grounds for receiving a notice letter? As we discussed, the Group has already begun negotiations with BP so a decision on whether EPA will be issuing a notice letter will be very helpful in furthering those discussions. Thank you,

Tobias

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